

Anti-Strike Bill; Measure Is Un-American

Use in Union Agreements or Voluntary Arbitration

agreement legislation denying the right to dissent of no-strike clauses in union agreements. The American Federation of Labor in an address at a "Café Club" of Chicago at the Hotel Sherman, last afternoon, said that the American program, Mr. Green said "the American Federation of Labor is not in a position to phrase these things 'in terms' or of their political or economic consequences. We cling tenaciously to America and the American way of life, to the rights of our institutions. We seek to establish understanding between the labor and industrial side and a solution of our industrial problems as the application of an American formula, and we are within the field of human relations."

He said:

"The avoidance of strikes is through the negotiations covering an individual company or industry, and through the settlement of all problems and such other matters as vacations, holidays, and so on."

He said that such contracts also should cover strikes during the life of the agreement.

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"Labor is 100 per cent in favor of such contracts. Our unions have got them into effect on a majority of the companies in the country. They will vitally need the industrial side to make such contracts to produce at full blast. The industrial side must be ready to meet the demands and the labor side is prepared to defend them."

He said that the industrial side is ready and willing to

the wholehearted aid in collective bargaining to those with labor organizations." The American Federation of Labor's "no-strike" policy had been 99 per cent effective. Mr. Green insisted of the Vinson Bill.

"The American Federation of Labor has no objection to Congress passing the Vinson Bill which seeks to punish members of the few firms they never committed and which are, Constitutional rights."

The majority anti-labor legislation proposed but not in America.

a minimum on our own accord. We have cooperation and efficiency between management and labor. The opportunity to advance industrial peace by applying the union and voluntary arbitration in the settlement of disputes.

and whatever future progress along these lines is menaced by the Vinson Bill. It is my hope that if enacted, will provide wide-spread support for the opportunity to advance industrial peace by applying the union and voluntary arbitration in the settlement of disputes.

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whether I liked it or not, whether he faced ruin? No businessman would submit just as no American worker will submit an enlightened foreign policy, sternly opposed to totalitarianism and dictatorship abroad, and of involuntary servitude and compulsory income through the enactment of anti-strike unreasonable, but there is no reason for it. Women who fully appreciate the value of the democratic form of government afford themselves as the exigencies of the situation demand.

The Federation of Labor voluntarily adopted a resolution we recommended to the President the Credentials Board. This Board has now had an opportunity to be effective to the country. It has been a great success for any

labor. We will cooperate fully with this Board, and we will cooperate for the purpose of securing the passage of legislation which will supplement this action by repeatedly affirming the American Federation of Labor to give emphasis to production in place of consumption in this country in the future.

But as free men who defend inmeasurable values of freedom, liberty and justice, we shall not permit ourselves to be intimidated by anti-union legislation. We know that liberty and freedom or otherwise, are not easily regained.

Therefore, we shall continue to fight until the time that it is the first duty of all of us to take collective bargaining and voluntary mediation as the basis of relations between labor and industry today. In the interests of labor, I call upon all of labor and all of management to unite in a common front to resist the dictators and destroy democracy as the free processes of democracy are practical, forced processes of totalitarianism."

Pay Boost Asked Unions For 350,000 Men

Spokesmen for the railroad workers said that based on the 1939 payroll of \$560,000,000 for the unions

involved, the demands, if met, would bring an additional \$168,000,000 a year into the pay envelopes.

SAND AND GRAVEL WORKERS GIVEN HIGHER WAGE RATES

Washington, D. C. — Representatives of the Conciliation Service of the U. S. Department of Labor, requested by the National Defense Mediation Board to settle the controversy between 250 employees of the Great Sand and Gravel Corporation

... effected an agreement which the union accepted. Granting a wage increase of from 3 to 10 per cent, time and a half for overtime, and a reduction in hours of from 70 to 64 a week for tugboat operators and dredgemen; from 58½ to 55 hours for unloading men and lighters, and from 54 to 51 hours for shipyard and shop workers.

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